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Justice has a Name, and the Name is the NASH DOM (Our House) Civil Campaign. Our activists are people who do care about their country, who are working to develop true self-governance in Belarus, to put an end to the junta ruling. The NASH DOM-INFO PDF edition mission is to provide food and multi-angle information about the NASH DOM (Our House) Civil Campaign, about our success cases and about those who interfere with our efforts to establish self-governance. We appreciate your questions and comments. Please send them to e-mail info@nash-dom.info.

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"Our House" has engaged in road safety

In Mogilev activists finished collecting signatures for the improvement of road safety in Fatinsky, Orlovsky, and Kotovsky constituency. Activists of the civil campaign "Our House" address their complaints to the head of Stare Traffic Inspection department of Mogilev regional department of Internal Affairs M. Nevmerzhitskiy and the deputies.

The complaints contain information about the absence of humps ("sleeping policemen") on the roads, absence of traffic lights on the roadways adjacent to the retail outlets, educational establishments, etc. There are such sections on of the road near the store , "Zarya," School № 9, and commercial stores in Orlovsky constituency. This creates a potential danger to life and health of children and adults. The process of collecting signatures in Kotovsky District reveled an outrageous fact: there is a public transport stop "Mashekovskaya" near the Administration of Leninsky district." There are warning signs and a pedestrian crossing marks there.However, this is not a deterrent for some drivers. According to the residents, here have repeatedly occurred drives on pedestrians, and children were injured. For unknown reasons, the district administration is not taking any action and not thinking about providing more efficient measures to guarantee road safety. Citizens offered to install a traffic light here.

LARISA SHUKAYLO

Deputy Nevzorova will solve people's problems

On 24 February in Gomel the deputy Alla Nazarova ran a meeting on demand of the people. At 17.30 in the evening the residents of Kurchatovsky constituency and the activists of "Our House" came to the meeting with the deputy. Alla Nevzorova listened to the problems worrying the district residents. After that the activists of the "Our House" gave the deputy an additional list of problem issues existing within the district. The meeting with citizens went in a relaxed warm atmosphere. The deputy wrote down all the problems and promised that she would solve them.

Sergey Solodukhin

A deputy from Gomel thinks that "several people" is a considerable force



It took six month the newspaper "Gomeskiye Vedomosty", which was founded partly by the City Council of deputies, to follow the proposition made by "Our House". As a result, the newspaper launched a special project, an application to the paper called "Deputies' Courier".

One of the articles of the first issue of "Deputies' Courier" released on 23 February, was devoted to the creative offers on self-governance that were made by the deputy **Dmitry Nilov.**

He is a deputy of the City Council of Deputies on the constituency № 31. Dmitry Nilov is familiar to our readers. It was him who, in October 2011 in response to the citizens' appeal of 305, when they asked the deputy to have a meeting with them on their own initiative, recommended the sender of the appeal to make a warrant. The citizens were advised to organize a meeting themselves. And nowadays the deputy-lawyer Dmitry Nilov, whose thesis topic was linked with citizens' appeals, continues in his own new way to try to "apply his abilities and skills into practice." Together with such activities as to address and resolve complaints, he proposes "to makes greater use of public hearings institute." When he addresses "Our House", Mr Nilov states and calls the activists " not to limited their activities only to collecting signatures, they should also gather people in one place and discuss the problems". You may ask, why is he suddenly showing so much concern? It has turned out that "if every one has an opportunity to express themselves and listen to the others, then it is highly likely that "some of the problems might be eliminated before any inconvenient object enters into operation". For example, a shopping or entertainment center, parking lot or gas station. If it is not done, very after their opening, "there appear a few people who do not like it, and they start to complain to all authorities." The deputy acknowledges that these "several people" is a considerable force.

Andrej Aksenov

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Human rights activist of the civil campaign "Our House" continues to struggle against the police guard station, located in her house

Christine Shatikova received a response from the administration of Oktyabrsky district of Mogilev.

The response states that the police guard station of public order number 9, which is a central guard station of Oktyabrsky district, serves a population of 32,000 people. All together, the service is provided by nine district police inspectors and three inspectors for juvenile cases. On the territory of this administrative section take place most of the public events, as in the area located a State spots institution "Public Center for ice hockey," "Palace of Culture," Cinema "Cosmos", an amusement park as well as other large commercial sites.

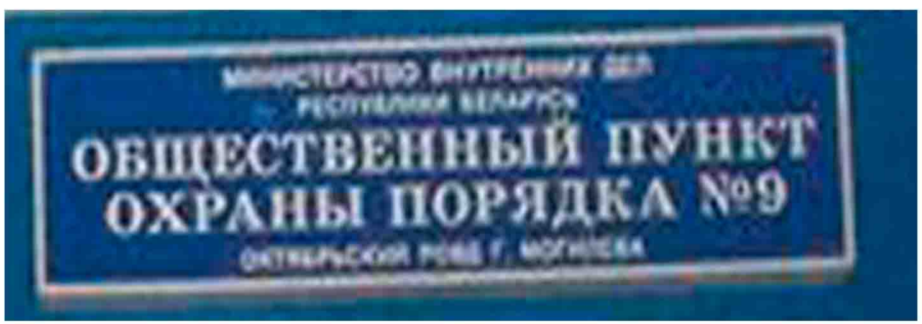
The location of the station in the residential house helps to work more efficiently and stand against crimes as well as to provide an immediate reaction to offences and residents' appeals.

In addition, "during the functioning of police guard station no complaints against illegal actions of police officers or complaints about the noise bothering the citizens have been received from other tenants."

Let us recall, that almost every day, residents are faced with the fact that a lot of the detainees are delivered to the guard station regularly, including the drunk and those who behave inappropriately ,who are shouting and screaming foul. In response, the policemen behave in the same way", says a civil rights activist from "Our House" Christina Shatsikava.

Vasyl Baranovsky policeman, who questioned the human rights activist, said that the order to talk to Shatsikava was received from the authorities of the Department of Internal Affairs of the Executive Committee. ‚He acknowledged that the claims of human rights activist are justified, but the police are not entitled to decide whether the guard station should be located in the house or not. He says that in fact it is the local administration who makes decisions of providing premises facilities for police guard station. The legislation does not specify what requirements these facilities must meet.
Opposite the house where Christina Shatsikava lives with her two underaged children, there is a special settlement of "minimum security prison ". Next to it, there is a bar, which has great popularity with residents of nearby houses, so they are often taken to the police guard station.

Christina Shatsikava



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The post has let down: a human rights activist demands apologies

Human rights activist of "Our House" Valery Shchukin appealed to the Ministry of Communications and Information. He made a complained against the wrongful acts of employees of communication service.

On 8 February Shchukin sent a telegram with notification of receive to Grodno regional court. However, two weeks passed and he didn't receive a notification either by post or in the form of a telephone call. Moreover, when he came to the regional court the receptionist said that they had nor received any telegrams from him.

Shchukin treats the actions of the workers from the postal service in the best case as an act of negligent performance of duty. In the worst case it can be classified as a retaliation of legal procedures. In Shchukin's opinion their wrongful acts significantly influenced the trial because the workers of Slutsk postal service deprived the audience of l studying his evidence and arguments in courtroom, which made an impact on the court's final verdict.

Human rights activist insists on returning him the value of the unfulfilled service, provide him with the names of employees who neglected their duties and also compensate him a moral damage. Otherwise, Valery Shchukin will sue them.

VALERY SCHUKIN

"Our House" in Gomel against the sale of alcohol



Activists of the campaign, "Our House" in Gomel are collecting signatures in support of a ban on the sale of alcohol.

In the opinion of the citizens, the sale of alcohol must be prohibited in the territory of Minsk electoral district in Soviet District of Gomel, in the street Minsk, 10, where there is a shop № 12 belonging to "GomelChlebProm." In the distance of only about 40 meters from the outlet there located school number 7. The signatures against the sale of alcohol at the store number 12 will be collected until the end of February. After that, the complaint will be sent to the deputy.

DMITRY KORESHKOV

Fighting for our rights: the passport of an apartment house

Every citizen has seen on high-rise building a sheet of metal about half a meter to half a meter size attached to the wall of the building with the words on it saying "The passport of an apartment house."



But not everyone understands at a first glance what great potential for the development of citizens' activity this seemingly useless metal shield actually has. Human rights activist of "Our House" civic campaign Nikolaj Petrushenko says in his blog about the instruments of protection of citizens' rights.

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